

The Gospel of Mark - Liturgy IV

CALL TO WORSHIP

An invitation from God to all humanity to behold and join the story, work, and eternal worship of Jesus.

Matthew 11:28-30

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.



CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

A call to acknowledge and forsake sin against God and one another, and an invitation to receive the assurance of a new identity in the finished work of Christ.

CONFESSION

TOGETHER

Jesus, you have called us to love you with our whole heart, mind, soul and strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves, but we confess many times and in many ways we have not lived this way. Lord have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy, and forgive us our sins.

(Leader call for the people to bring their confession of sin to God, and pause in silence).

ASSURANCE

LEADER

For all who put their hope in the finished work of Jesus,
hear your assurance-

Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised
and is at the right hand of God, interceding for you.

In Christ you are more than conquerors through him who loved you.

And I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate you from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

TOGETHER

Thanks be to God



BENEDICTION

A blessing from the authority of scripture spoken over the people of God.

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.
Amen.

